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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

**CRAIG HENRY BECKER, ROBERT SIMON GOODMAN,  
STEWART EARLE NICKOLAS, and WAYNE ELMO VICKNAIR**For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR BUILDING COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTED  
COMPUTING NETWORKS VIA COMPUTER COST SUBSIDIZATION**Assignee Name: International Business Machines Corporation  
Assignee Residence: Armonk, New York

Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 22 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 8 Pages of Claims ( Claims 1 - 27 )  
☒ 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings *Informal*  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

**CLAIMS AS FILED**

FOR	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	27	-20 =	7	X	\$ 18	=	\$126
Independent Claims	12	-3 =	9	X	\$ 80	=	\$720
Multiple Dependent Claims	0			X	\$270	=	\$0
<b>Total Filing Fee =</b>							<b>\$1,556</b>

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